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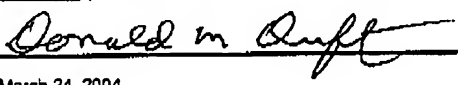
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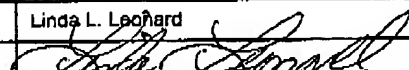
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Introductory Comments

In response to the Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee papers mailed February 19, 2004, please amend the above identified application under the provisions of Rule 312.